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In re Application of	:	OFFICE OF PETITIONS
Ofek et al.	:	
Application No. 09/535,831	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: 03/28/2000	:	UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)
Attorney Docket No. SYN 1756	:	

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed April 18, 2008, to revive the above-identified application.

The application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 to the final Office action, mailed December 3, 2003, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. Petitioner obtained an extension of time for response within the third month pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a). Accordingly, the application became abandoned on June 4, 2004.

With the present petition, petitioner submitted an amendment in response to the final Office action. Upon reviewing the amendment, the examiner determined that the amendment places the application in condition for allowance.

Thus, petitioner has met the requirements to revive the above-identified application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b). Petitioner submitted the required reply in the form of a final amendment, made a proper statement of unintentional delay, and paid the requisite fees. Accordingly, the petition is **granted**.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center Art Unit 2616.

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